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In re Application of:)
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E. UHLMANN et al.)
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Application No.: 09/835,370) Group Art Unit: 1637
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Filed: April 17, 2001) Examiner: J. SIEW
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For: POLYAMIDE NUCLEIC ACID)
DERIVATIVES AND AGENTS AND)
PROCESSES FOR PREPARING THEM)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Sir:

This paper is being filed in response to the Office Action dated April 16, 2003, the shortened statutory period for response having been extended up to **August 16, 2003**, by the attached Petition for Extension of Time and fee. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections set forth in the Office Action in view of the following remarks. Claims 1-85 are pending in this application, only claims 1-15, 20-23, and 31-85 having been examined on the merits in the Office Action.

REMARKS

I. *Information Disclosure*

The Office indicates that the two Information Disclosure Statements filed by Applicants (and references cited in them) are not in the Office's file, and requests that Applicants re-submit both Statements, along with the cited references. (Office Action at paragraph 2.) Attached to

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